

Weather

Experiment Station report for 24 hours ending at 7 a.m. Wednesday, High 37, Low 31, precipitation .88 of an inch.

Forecast
 ARKANSAS—Cold wave warning north portion tonight. Cloudy and turning much colder over the state with cold wave conditions north portion by Thursday morning. Occasional rain or drizzle changing to freezing rain or drizzle and then to snow in colder air with hazardous driving conditions over the state by tonight. Thursday cloudy and cold with occasional periods of light snow north and light sleet or freezing rain south. Low to night 7-17 north and 17-27 south.

Weather Elsewhere

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

	High	Low
Albany, cloudy	8	-3
Albuquerque, clear	47	21
Atlanta, rain	40	37
Bismarck, cloudy	-9	-27
Boise, clear	30	7
Boston, snow	20	M
Buffalo, snow	24	22
Chicago, snow	22	18
Cincinnati, cloudy	31	27
Cleveland, snow	25	23
Denver, clear	12	-10
Des Moines, clear	14	-7
Detroit, cloudy	22	20
Fairbanks, cloudy	32	25
Fort Worth, rain	53	41
Helena, snow	-6	-16
Honolulu, cloudy	83	70
Indianapolis, cloudy	28	22
Jacksonville, fog	59	55
Juneau, snow	27	23
Kansas City, clear	21	0
Los Angeles, clear	57	47
Louisville, cloudy	34	31
Memphis, rain	39	36
Miami, clear	77	72
Milwaukee, snow	20	10
Mpls.-St. P., clear	0	-18
New Orleans, rain	56	55
New York, snow	23	21
Okla. City, rain	38	18
Omaha, clear	10	-10
Philadelphia, rain	26	24
Phoenix, clear	61	34
Pittsburgh, cloudy	24	18
Rind, Me., cloudy	17	6
Rind, Ore., cloudy	40	26
Rapid City, clear	1	-18
Richmond, rain	33	29
St. Louis, cloudy	26	17
Salt Lk. City, cloudy	32	13
San Diego, cloudy	58	53
San Fran., clear	50	43
Seattle, cloudy	36	30
Tampa, fog	80	62
Washington, cloudy	25	23
Winnipeg, cloudy	-17	-24

(M—Missing) (T—Trace)

New Jersey has a state university — Rutgers University at New Brunswick.

Apparently Vietnam, U.S. Have Narrowed Peace Differences

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER
 AP Special Correspondent
 WASHINGTON (AP) — North Vietnam and the United States apparently have narrowed somewhat their differences over starting peace talks. But U.S. officials see little prospect the talks would be "productive" as required by President Johnson.

This is one of three questions on which the United States is reported seeking clarification from North Vietnam before deciding on its next move in response to a statement made last weekend by North Vietnam's foreign minister, Nguyen Duy Trinh.

So far, Trinh's statement is regarded here as being primarily an effort to build up new, world-wide pressures on President Johnson to stop bombing the North without a reciprocal scaling down of military action by North Vietnam.

Officials said, however, that the Trinh statement is being fully explored through diplomatic channels to determine whether it was seriously intended to advance the prospects for talks.

State Department press officer Carl E. Bartz told a news conference Tuesday: "We frequently said we will explore every possible lead... clarification is part of the process."

The key sentence in the Trinh statement which has set off a new round of diplomatic activity said: "After the United States has ended unconditionally the bombing and all other acts of war against the DRV (Democratic Republic of Vietnam or North Vietnam) the DRV will hold talks with the United States on questions concerned."

U.S. officials said the definite statement "will hold talks" was on the surface a change in the North Vietnamese position, which previously had been that if the bombing were halted unconditionally and permanently talks "could" be held.

The most recent definitive American statement on ending the bombing and starting talks was made by President Johnson in a speech in San Antonio, Tex., on Sept. 29. He said the United States is "willing immediately to stop aerial and naval bombardments of North Vietnam when this will lead promptly to productive discussion."

To this the President added: "We would assume that while discussions proceed, North Vietnam would not take advantage of the bombing cessation or limitation."

The President thus appeared to drop the previous condition that North Vietnam would have to agree to some responsive action such as halting infiltration into South Vietnam if the bombing was to stop. His statement was interpreted by U.S. authorities to mean he was prepared to assume some such action would be taken—and if North Vietnam didn't scale down military operations in a way to demonstrate good will toward the talks, he would then decide what the U.S. would do next.

The question on which the U.S. is reported seeking clarification are whether—if the bombing and other actions against North Vietnam were stopped—Hanoi would start talks promptly, whether the "questions concerned" would be substantial questions of peace making, and whether it is significant that Trinh did not also use the word "permanently" in saying that the bombing would have to be stopped "unconditionally."

U.S. officials said the way North Vietnam reacts to the request for clarification will indicate whether Trinh's statement was seriously intended to get discussions under way or a maneuver to try to stimulate a new campaign against the bombing of North Vietnam.

Escape Trys Predicted at Cummins

TUCKER PRISON FARM, Ark. (AP) — There is a great deal of tension among Cummins Prison Farm inmates and it probably will result in some escape attempts, acting Prison Supt. Thomas O. Murton said Tuesday.

"The exact reason for it is unknown, but certainly it is still a critical situation," he told a Little Rock radio station. "We don't know exactly how its going to work out."

Murton said the state Prison Board could help relieve the tension when it meets today by making his appointment permanent and removing any doubt that he was superintendent in fact as well as title.

This would ease some tension among members of the prison staff, he said.

When Murton took over as assistant superintendent in charge of Tucker last spring, there were escape attempts two or three months later. He said he expected the attempts at Cummins would be sooner, because the Cummins inmates knew generally what his aims were.

At the same time, he said, it's possible that he won't

S. Security Bill Signed Into Law

By FRANCES LEWINE
 Associated Press Writer
 SAN ANTONIO, Tex., (AP) — President Johnson has signed into law bills greatly expanding Social Security benefits and federal aid to education—keystones of his Great Society legislative program.

He hailed the passage of the measures as triumphs for the nation's poor. But he had nothing at all to say as he signed a third measure—the \$2.29-billion foreign aid bill—which imposes the sharpest dollar limit on total U.S. aid to other nations since the program began 20 years ago.

Johnson said the expansion of Social Security benefits is the "greatest step forward" since the system was initiated during the Roosevelt administration in 1935.

The next phase, he said, calls for close scrutiny of America's welfare system which he branded "outmoded and in need of major change."

He appointed a 19-member commission to "examine any and every plan, however unconventional, which could promise a constructive advance in meeting the income needs of the American people."

The President named Ben W. Heineman, 63, chairman and chief executive officer of the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad Co., to head the commission.

The education bill provides a record \$9.3 billion for elementary and secondary schools. The Social Security bill increases benefits by at least 13 per cent for 24 million persons.

Social Security checks going out in March will reflect the new increased benefits. Minimum monthly payments rise from \$44 to \$55. The maximum will be \$160.50, compared to the present \$142. The average monthly check for husband and wife over 65 increases from \$145 to \$165.

"One million more people will be lifted above the poverty line," Johnson said, and 65,000 disabled widows and 175,000 children will receive benefits for the first time.

Medicare benefits are expanded to include additional days of hospitalization. Outside earnings of \$140 instead of \$100 a month are permitted with no reduction in benefits.

There will be additional taxes, though, for worker and employer, amounting to as much as \$52.80 in 1968 on earnings of \$7,800 or more.

The new law keeps the tax rate at 4.4 per cent in 1968, but the amount of salary on which the tax is levied goes up from \$6,600 to \$7,800. Eventually, the tax rate will rise to 5.9 per cent by 1987.

The education bill continues until the middle of 1970 a program of aid to elementary and secondary schools, giving states more say in how the money is used.

The President noted that he had signed the first elementary and secondary school bill nearly three years ago in a little wooden schoolhouse a half-mile down the road from his Texas ranch.

He repeated what he said that day as he signed this extended measure: "No law I have signed—or will sign—means more to the future of America."

necessarily deal with the Cummins situation in the same manner that he did at Tucker, where he instituted a series of reforms.

Officers Installed



Obituaries

CHARLES H. CARTER
 Graveside services for Charles H. Carter whodid Tuesday at Hot Springs will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday at Marlbrook Cemetery. He was the brother of Mrs. C. E. Brooks of Hempstead County.

WILLIE M. LONG
 Willie M. Long, age 79, a long time resident of Hempstead County died early Wednesday in a local hospital. He was a veteran of World War I and a member of the Church of Christ.

Survivors include his wife, Lillie; 6 sons, Willie Downs, Jr. of Ft. Worth, Texas, James Downs of Hope, Herman Downs of Eugene, Oregon, Paul Downs of Nevada City, California, and Arlis Downs of Rosston, one daughter, Mrs. Bratrice Boyce of Columbus, one sister, Mrs. Katie Laird of Flintwood, Michigan.

Funeral services will be held Thursday at 2:00 p.m. at Herndon Chapel by Rev. Harley Slis-son. Interment will be in Pleasant Hill Cemetery near Prescott.

NEW VERNON, N.J. (AP) —
 Dr. Andrew James "Swede" Oberlander, 62, star halfback at Dartmouth College in the mid 1920s who was later named to the college football Hall of Fame, died Monday of a heart attack. He was head football coach at Wesleyan University while attending Yale Medical School.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. (AP) —
 Prof. Arnold Rose, 49, University of Minnesota sociologist who was president-elect of the American Sociological Association, died Tuesday. He had been in a hospital two weeks with cancer. Rose was author of several books during his 19 years on the university faculty.

CHINO, Calif. (AP) —
 Huntley Lennox Gordon, 85, auto racing pioneer who drove a car of his own design in the first Indianapolis 500 in 1911, died Sunday. He retired from racing in 1916 to devote his life to cattle ranching.

Driving in Arkansas Is Hazardous

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
 The cold front which moved through Arkansas Tuesday night and this morning laid the groundwork for hazardous driving conditions.

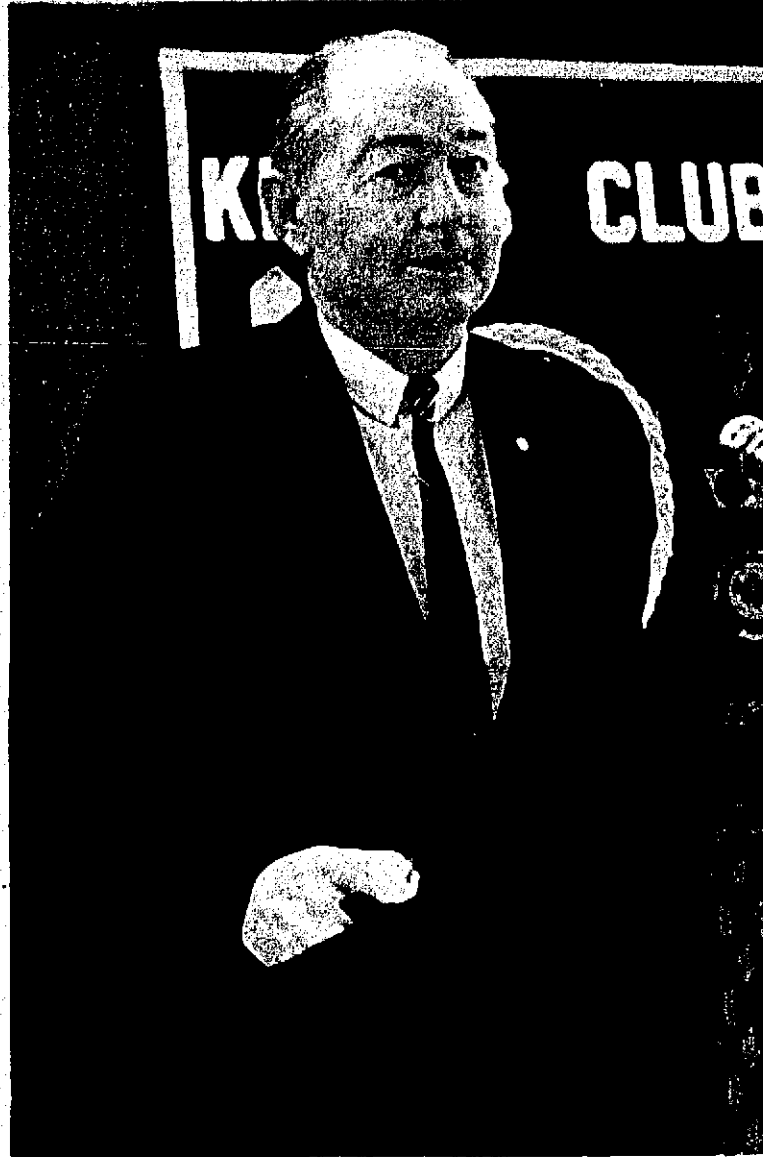
The front brought moderate rains to the state and with the cold air expected from the north, hazardous driving warnings were issued for the west and north portions today and over Central portions tonight.

The rain and drizzle will gradually change to freezing rain and drizzle or snow when the temperatures begin to fall.

Light freezing rain occurred in extreme North Arkansas this morning with heaviest rains reported in Central and South Arkansas.

Temperatures in Arkansas Tuesday again were on the cool side with Texarkana climbing to only 41 degrees for the warmest maximum in the state. Walnut Ridge and Little Rock each reached 32 degrees for maximums. Overnight lows ranged from 26 at Fayetteville to 39 at El Dorado.

Rainfall reported for the 24-hour period ending at 6 a.m. today included .30 inches at Pine Bluff, .79 at Texarkana, .18 at El Dorado, .49 at Memphis, .43 at Little Rock, and traces at Fort Smith, Fayetteville, Harrison and Walnut Ridge.



— Henry Haynes photos with Star camera
 LT. GOV. HARRY LINDSEY
 At yesterday's Kiwanis Club meet new officers were installed by Lt. Gov. of District 24, Harry Lindsey, of Camden.
 Left to right in the picture, Dr. Lynn Harris, Bob Moers, Bob Peterson, Mr. Lindsey, Melvin Thrash and Kenneth Hamilton.

Citizens NATIONAL BANK OF HOPE

AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS DECEMBER 31, 1967

Resources

Loans and Discounts	\$ 9,353,204.63
Banking House	144,840.97
Furniture and Fixtures	80,482.45
United States Bonds	1,250,537.50
Other Bonds and Securities	3,539,907.98
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank	36,000.00
Cash and Exchange	2,183,222.22
C.C.C. Loans	550,000.00
TOTAL	\$17,138,195.75

Liabilities

Capital Stock	\$ 200,000.00
Surplus	1,000,000.00
Undivided Profits	318,096.59
Unearned Discount	253,697.75
Reserves	193,411.58
Deposits	15,172,989.83
TOTAL	\$17,138,195.75

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FOOD FOR THOUGHT:

"I buy my insurance from a independent agent for the same reason that I buy my money from the grocer rather than the bee. While I might save money from dealing directly with the bee, there's a possibility my lack of training, knowledge and experience would result in my getting stung."

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HOPE, ARKANSAS

AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS DECEMBER 31, 1967

Resources

Loans and Discounts	\$ 5,205,491.96
Banking House	185,000.00
Furniture and Fixtures	43,957.80
Other Assets	25,710.24
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank	36,000.00
Municipal Bonds	3,071,060.52
U.S. Government Securities	3,520,536.53
Cash and Due from Banks	1,664,579.07
TOTAL	\$13,752,336.12

Liabilities

Capital Stock	\$ 200,000.00
Surplus	1,000,000.00
Undivided Profits	130,251.50
Unearned Discount	141,245.13
Reserves	86,688.16
Deposits	12,194,151.33
TOTAL	\$13,752,336.12

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SOCIETY

Phone 7-3431 Between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Calendar of Events

THURSDAY, JANUARY 4
The Ladies Auxiliary Post 4511 will meet at the BFW Hut Thursday night, January 4 at 7:30 for their regular meeting.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 18
The Senior Citizens Club meeting has been cancelled until their regular meeting on Thursday, Jan. 18.

Coming, Going

Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Foster of Hope flew to Nashville, Tennessee for the engagement party of their son, Vincent Walker Foster, Jr. and his fiancée, Miss Lisa Braden. The party was in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Braden, parents of the bride-elect, on Golf Club Lane.

Mr. and Mrs. Claud Johnson had as holiday guest their daughter, Lynda, of Washington, D.C.; Kenny of Dallas, Texas; and Mr. and Mrs. Erling Solberg of Oxon Hill, Maryland.

OPEN HOUSE ON WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. W. Berlin Jones who live east of Palmos, were honored with an Open House at their home Sunday, December 31 in celebration of their Golden Wedding Anniversary with their son, Darwin, and Mrs. Jones of Mineral Springs as hosts.

The honored Mrs. Jones wore a dress of pink silk linen and had a pink orchid corsage. Mr. Jones and those in the house party had white carnation boutonnières or corsages.

Guests were greeted at the door by Mrs. Harry Worsham of Springhill, La., sister of Mrs. Jones, and by Mike Jones of Fayetteville and Joel Jones of Arkadelphia, grandsons of the honored couple.

Pretty flowers carrying out the golden theme were seen at vantage points in the home. In the dining room the table was laid with white lace over yellow and centered with antique glass holding yellow Fuji mums, small yellow chrysanthemums, and yellow candles. Punch, cake, mints, and nuts were served by Mrs. Gordon Hughes of El Dorado, Mrs. Jones' sister, and Mrs. C. P. Middlebrooks of Stephens, her sister-in-law. They were assisted by Mrs. Mike Jones of Fayetteville and Miss Roxanne Hardin of Mineral Springs.

At a table holding a small candle and yellow chrysanthemum arrangement, the guest book was in charge of a granddaughter, Miss Janice Jones of Mineral Springs. Others in the house party included Mrs. L. G. Middlebrooks of Bradley and Mrs. Camp Middlebrooks of El Dorado.

In the room where the many lovely gifts were displayed was a large bouquet of yellow mums, and Mrs. C. P. Jones of Palmos and Mrs. Catherine Arrington of Stephens directed the guests in seeing the gifts.

Some 89 people called at the Jones home during the appointed hours. They included Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Middlebrooks of Shreveport, Mr. Middlebrooks, and uncle of the bride of 50 years ago, had performed the wedding ceremony.

Delinquent Books Return

CHICAGO (AP) — Thousands of delinquent books were back home today, including one missing for 33 years.

Tuesday was the Chicago Public Library system's first amnesty day, when conscience-stricken book borrowers could turn over a new leaf and return an overdue volume without having to pay the usual 2-cent-a-day fine.

And the books were returned — in shoe boxes, attache cases, shopping bags and packing crates — to the 62 branch libraries.

A copy of William Makepeace Thackeray's "Vanity Fair," checked out in 1934, was brought home by a relative of its deceased borrower. The volume was brown with age but still in lending condition.

CHATTER

BY BILL

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LAYERED-LOOK "COSTUMING"

is a favorite fashion direction for Kelly Arden, junior petite specialist. Illustrating the appeal of that approach, the sham jumper (left) of bonded twill rests with coat-dress authority over its own striped, knitted turtleneck dickey. Tammy Andrews tops banker's gray pinstripes with the perfect chairman-of-the-board touch (right)—three watch fob pockets and a dashing costume watch and chain. Edwardian touch is added in a ruffled lace dickey and black velvet bow.

HELEN HELP US!

by Helen Bottel

YOUTH ASKED FOR IT!

This column is for young people their problems and pleasures, their troubles and fun. As with the rest of Helen Help US!, it welcomes laughs but won't dodge a serious question with a brush-off.

Send your teenage questions to Helen Help US!, this newspaper.

ENOUGH TO MAKE THE BLOOD BOIL

Dear Helen: I donated a pint of blood when the Red Cross made its annual appeal in our town. My husband got so mad at me he wouldn't talk for a week. He said we have to pay for blood when we need it, so why give our good stuff away? I argue we have insurance and don't pay anyway, so why shouldn't my blood go to those who can't afford it? Or for an emergency?

Should I just give up and stop donating?—DONOR

Dear Donor: It's a good thing your husband hasn't thought of selling his blood to hospitals — they'd get ice water!

Tell him your vein is closed, and so is the subject, until next year, when, hopefully, he'll have a change of heart. —H

Dear Helen: When we got married my wife made me take an oath I would never smoke or drink again. I never did very much, so it was no problem. Yesterday I was having trouble with the lawn mower, and my neighbor brought me over a beer and a cigarette. My wife blew up and banished me to the couch.

Today she apologized. I told her to forget it — I wasn't going to become a wastrel. All is well, except for one question:

How come it's always the husband who hits the couch when the wife gets mad? If she doesn't want to sleep with him, why doesn't SHE leave the bedroom? Does a woman have a right to stay in a bed the man has bought, while he sleeps on a lumpy sofa? —RECONCILED BUT WONDER.

Dear Helen: We have a neighborhood bowling league. One of our rules is to put children in the nursery, where a reliable woman cares for them. All the mothers comply but one, and her

SEX STAR Virna Lili shows what can be done to an Army uniform with the proper equipment.

NOTICE

AS OF JAN. 2, 1968

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WIN AT BRIDGE

Bad Bid Nets Lucky Slam

By Oswald and James Jacoby

NORTH (D)		WEST		EAST		SOUTH	
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♥ 7 5	♥ Q J 9 7 3	♥ 7 5	♥ Q 8 4	♥ 7 5	♥ Q 8 4	♥ 5 4 2	♥ J 9 7 3 2
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Both vulnerable
West North East South
1 ♠ 2 ♠ 2 N.T.
Pass 6 N.T. Pass Pass
Opening lead—♦ Q

For the luckiest hand of 1967 we have to fall back on our old friend, the "unlucky" expert. We will let him tell the story in his own words.

"I had cut the worst player in the game, as usual, but we had managed to get vulnerable. Our opponents also were vulnerable when I picked up my usual collection of trash. My partner Joe opened one club and sat back like a man with a really big hand. East bid two hearts and I decided to bid two no-trump. A terrible bid, but I did not want to pass or to raise Joe in a minor suit. Joe jumped right to six no-trump and there I was with no place to go but seven clubs, and I wasn't going to go there."

"To add to my dismay, West opened the queen of diamonds. Then dummy hit

PERSONAL TO "CANDLE-BURNER"

Man cannot live by "bread" alone — unless he's the choreographer of a chorus line, or something. Forget that Little black book and settle down to the girl you like best — if she'll have you. —H

Dear Helen: What would you do with a husband who is a fireless pack rat? He accumulates stuff: rags, papers, buckets, bottles. The cellar and attic are bulging.

Any effort to dispose of his treasures is met with shouting and wailing. They are worthless. He'll never use them. What can I say? —MRS. R. K.

Dear Mrs. R. K.: The more you SAY the less likely it is your husband will agree. Why not clean out a little at a time until he sees that he doesn't really miss the junk. Then, if he's not a pure saving nut, he may pitch in and help you. —H

P.S. But don't count on it. Consider yourself lucky if he just stops screaming.

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Sandra Propps Promoted, Transferred

Sandra Propps, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Glen C. Propps of Ashdown, has been promoted to Extension Home Economist and transferred to Searcy county and will be headquartered at Marshall, C. A. Vines, Director, Agricultural Extension Service, has announced. The appointment, effective January 8, is subject to approval of the president of the University of Arkansas.

Miss Propps has been serving as assistant Extension home economist for Hempstead county since August, 1967. Prior to coming to Extension, she taught home economics at Corning for two years.

While in college she served as reporter and historian of the Home Economics Club. She is a member of the Arkansas Vocational Association, Arkansas Education Association, and Arkansas Home Economics Association.

Vines explained that Extension work in Searcy county is supported jointly by the county, state and federal governments. He said that as a part of the University of Arkansas, Extension's educational program is designed to help people with problems that will lead to higher incomes, more job opportunities and better living conditions.

Miss Propps is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Glen C. Propps of Ashdown.

Doctors Charged for Refusing Aid

NORTH SCITUATE, R.I. (AP) — A North Scituate couple, both physicians, have been charged under a little-known state law for refusing to acknowledge a state police in treatment of a woman who suffered a fatal heart attack on New Year's Eve.

State police said they telephoned Dr. James K. C. Wang and his wife, Dr. Sut-yen Wang, at their home Sunday night after Mrs. Bessie Lindfield, 51, of Foster, was brought unconscious by her husband into the state police barracks at North Scituate.

The Wangs refused to come to the state police station. Mrs. Lindfield died 15 minutes later. A state law authorizes "town sergeants and constables" to "command all necessary aid" and assistance "in execution of their duties. The penalty is a fine of up to \$20.

Cathedral Clock

The cathedral at Strasbourg, France, has a unique clock. At noon each day, a procession of the Apostles appears, while a cock above crows three times.

Hope Star SPORTS

Cougars to Get Chance at UCLA

By DICK COUCH
Associated Press Sports Writer
Houston's sky-high Cougars have cleared another plateau on the way to their Astro-dome summit clash with mighty UCLA.

The second-ranked Cougars, who meet Lew Alcindor and No. 1 UCLA in a Jan. 20 rematch of their 73-58 loss to the Bruins in last year's NCAA semi-finals, mauled Michigan 91-65 Tuesday night for a 14-0 season mark.

All-American Elvin Hayes led the way as Houston, playing its fourth game in six nights, flattened the visiting Wolverines. The 6-foot-8 Big E scored 31 points and grabbed 13 rebounds with 6-9 Ken Spain and 6-5 Don Chaney contributed 15 and 14 points, respectively.

The Cougars, who captured the Rainbow Classic title in Honolulu last weekend, have reeled off 47 straight victories on their home court. They play Centenary and West Texas State at home before taking on the Bruins, 8-0, in a game expected to draw 50,000 fans to the Astro-dome.

Fourth-ranked Vanderbilt, only other club in The Associated Press Top Ten to play Tuesday night, came from behind in the second half and trimmed Southeastern Conference rival Alabama 67-61 for its 10th victory in 11 starts.

In other major games, LaSalle tripped Miami, Fla., 92-84 behind reserve Dave Ervin; Yale shaded Georgia Tech 79-78 on Ed Goldstone's jump shot with two seconds remaining.

Willie McCarter's jumper with two seconds to play in overtime sent Drake past Memphis State 76-75 and Detroit downed Indiana 99-93 behind Bruce Rodwan's 36 points.

Elsewhere, North Carolina State crushed Atlantic Christian 111-52; Florida State whipped The Citadel 96-75; Virginia Tech trimmed Ohio University 74-65 and Jacksonville edged William & Mary 71-69.

Vanderbilt shut off Alabama's Rich Deppe and Mike Nordholz, who had combined for 25 first-half points, and overcame a 10-point halftime deficit at Nashville, Tenn.

Tom Hagan hit for 28 points and Bo Wyandant, who triggered the second-half comeback with three straight baskets, added 18 for the Commodores. Nordholz topped the Crimson Tide with 19 points after scoring 11 before intermission. Deppe failed to connect in the second half before fouling out with 11 minutes to play.

Ervin entered the Miami-LaSalle game with two minutes remaining in the first half and went on to score 21 points, leading the visiting Explorers to their eighth victory in 11 starts. Bernie Williams hit for 15 of his 25 points in the first half, helping LaSalle snap the Hurricanes' five-game winning string.

At Atlanta, Yale's Goldstone picked up a loose ball following a missed shot and dropped in the winning 20-footer, capping a 25-point spree. Teammate Rick Stoner scored 23 points as the Elis boosted their record to 7-3. Phil Wagner topped Georgia Tech scorers with 27 points.

McCarter scored all but two of Drake's 14 overtime points and finished with 35—two more than Mike Butler of Memphis State—in the Bulldogs' Missouri Valley Conference victory at Memphis. Herb Hilliard scored for the Tigers with 27 seconds remaining regulation play, tying is 62-62 and forcing the overtime.

Emmet Puts Up Battle But Loses

By RALPH ROUNTON
Star Sports Writer

Coming through when they had to near the end, the Hope "B" Lizards put together their third straight win last night, outlasting the tough Emmet Eagles 79-69 in the featured game of three played at Jones Field House.

It was a tough fight for Hope against a surprisingly balanced scoring attack that Emmet possessed, and commendation must be given here to Don Mitchell, who has done a great job with his Eagles. The visitors certainly gave their all from the first whistle to the last, but the "B" Boys' fast-breaking offense made the difference.

The win gave the "B" Lizards a record now of 3-2, and these improving ball players will in large numbers probably be needed when the rough conference road arrives for the Bobcats. Last night the locals put the fast break together like they hadn't done before.

After a slow start in which the teams were set at 4-all with four minutes gone by, heavy fouling intervened and scoring spiraled upward. Depending mostly on base line jumpers from junior guard Ricky Putman, the "B" Lizards sat on a 17-12 lead at the quarter.

In the second period, the action was thick and heavy. At the time Emmet was counting on the outside shooting of Ronnie Dougan and Thomas Kirby, who kept up the pace when the "B" Boys weren't fast-breaking. At halftime things were close at 39-33 for Hope.

Foul shots allowed the Eagles to stay in range during the third segment, as the locals' constant "run, run, run" swung the momentum to Hope. The lead floundered up and down, and was on the down swing with the quarter buzzer sounded and the "B" Boys on top 57-51. But the final verse was a sweet memory for Hope.

Maneuvering into every fast break situation possible, juniors Putman and Danny Reyenga put down rugged rebel movements to the Hope lead. It was a nice win, and in a high-scoring 79-69 package to go with it.

Guards led the "B" Lizards scoring attack, with Ricky Putman's 24 points barely overshadowing Danny Reyenga's 22 point production. John Henley canned 9 and Ronny Brown and Larry East 5 each to make up the next pack. Finally, Dwight Galloway and Johnny Johnson sunk three apiece; Jim Singleton and Thomas Norvell one apiece. All five Emmet starters reached the double figures, led by Denille McBride with 20. Dougan popped 15 to follow closest; Jerry Booker, who had a fine second half, had 12, and Gary Muldrew and Thomas Kirby contributed 11 each.

The "B" Boys' next action comes tomorrow night, with the Lizards travelling to Bodcaw along with the two girls' teams. First game is scheduled to start at 6:00 p.m. Don't forget Friday night either, when the Bobcats head into 4AA play at Jones Field House with the Magnolia Panthers as guest.

Don Meredith Talks About Stepping Out

NEW YORK (AP) — Don Meredith, Dallas' gifted quarterback, says he hasn't decided to quit pro football but will spend the next two months pondering whether or not to return to the Cowboys next season.

Meredith, still "emotionally spent" after last Sunday's 21-17 loss to Green Bay in the National Football League title game, denied Tuesday a report that he had made up his mind to retire. "Maybe I'll play and maybe I won't," the 29-year-old Texan said. "I just don't know. But I definitely haven't decided."

The Dallas Times Herald, in a copyrighted story written by Steve Perkins, reported that Meredith told teammates and friends of his decision to quit during the plane trip home from Green Bay Sunday night. The Southern Methodist University grad has just completed the final year of a three-year contract estimated at \$40,000 per season.

"If I decide to quit, I won't do it this way," Meredith said in New York, where he appeared on television Monday night. "I'll call everyone in and announce it."

Meredith and his wife will spend the next few days in the Catskill Mountains, about 100 miles from New York City, where he'll do television commercials for a clothing manufacturer.

Basketball

Arkansas Basketball Scores By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

College
Southwest Missouri 71, Arkansas 66 (overtime)

High School

Gillett 60, Fountain Lake 56
Hampton 67, Amity 65
Fountain Hill 63, Glen Rose 41
Jessieville 54, Leola 49
Kirby 64, Sparkman 48
Carthage 67, Bradley 40
Willisville 60, Harmony Grove 56 (double overtime)

Cutter-Morning Star 60, Foreman 49
Fort Smith Northside 46, Little Rock Horace Mann 43
Fort Smith St. Anne's 67, Booneville 23

Omaha 66, Batesville 49
Greenbrier 73, Leslie 47
Vilonia 64, Scott 57
Hot Springs 71, Benton 44
Lynn 49, Biggers-Reyno 43
Cedarville over Filppin (forfeit)

Valley Springs 68, Dardanelle 58
Lavaca 82, Clarksville 52
Mulberry 50, Bergman 47
Green Forest 54, Charleston 20
Pottsville 47, Ozark 39
Russellville 40, Plummerville 38
Lead Hill 70, Dover 62

Farmington 91, Springdale JV 69
Fayetteville JV 54, Greenland 49

Altus over Pa Ridge (forfeit)
Hartford 56, Alma 45

Pro Basketball

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NBA

Tuesday's Results

Detroit 114, Baltimore 113
Cincinnati 125, New York 119
Chicago 95, Boston 84
San Fran. 119, Los Angeles 118

Today's Games

Chicago at Baltimore
New York at Philadelphia
Boston at Los Angeles
St. Louis at San Diego

Thursday's Game

St. Louis vs. San Francisco at Oakland

ABA

Tuesday's Results

Oakland 141, Anaheim 121
Denver 98, Indiana 80
Dallas 112, Minnesota 109
New Orleans 97, New Jersey 96
Pittsburgh 105, Kentucky 97

Today's Games

Indiana at Anaheim
Denver at Houston
Kentucky at New Jersey

Thursday's Games

New Orleans at Denver
Pittsburgh at Kentucky
Houston at Minnesota

College Basketball

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

East

U. of Buffalo 98, MacMurray Coll. 94

South

Vanderbilt 67, Alabama 61
E. Tenn. 93, Hardin-Simmons 85
Yale 79, Georgia Tech 78
LaSalle 92, Miami, Fla., 84
Fla. St. 96, The Citadel 75
Drake 76, Memphis St. 75, of Jacksonville 71, Wm & Mary 69

Midwest

Detroit 99, Indiana 93
Va. Tech 74, Ohio U. 65

Southwest

Houston 91, Michigan 65
Texas A&M 74, U. of Corpus Christi 65

Trinity, Tex., 94, Sam Houston State 76

Far West

San Fran. 77, San Fran. St. 68

Fight Twin Bill to Be Announced

By MURRAY ROSE

Associated Press Sports Writer
NEW YORK (AP) — An attractive doubleheader featuring unbeaten heavyweight contenders Joe Frazier and Buster Mathis plus a middleweight title rematch between Emile Griffith and Nino Benvenuti will open the new Madison Square Garden Center to boxing the first week in March.

Announcement of the two 15-round bouts is expected to be made at a 2:30 p.m. EST, press conference today.

The pairings were disclosed by The Associated Press Tuesday night. It also was learned that:

1. The Frazier-Mathis winner will be recognized as the world heavyweight champion by the New York State Athletic Commission.

2. The package will cost the Garden \$500,000. Frazier and Griffith each will get \$150,000 while Mathis and Benvenuti will receive \$100,000 apiece.

3. Ringside seats will be scaled for a top of at least \$100. The new Garden holds 20,000 for boxing.

"I can't confirm anything at this point," said Harry Markson, head of the Garden's boxing department. "We do not yet have the signed contracts and until we do there's nothing more I can say."

It had been reported that the Garden was seeking to close the Mathis-Frazier and Benvenuti bouts as individual features. The heavyweight match



ON THE FIRST day of the "Criterium (criterion) of the First Snow" ski meet in Val d'Isere, France, Karen Budge swept down the slopes. Miss Budge, 18, of Jackson, Wyo., finished third in the women's slalom event. The competition provided a preview of the forthcoming Winter Olympics at nearby Grenoble, France.

Bradley Is Figured Key for Knicks

By RON RAPOPORT

Associated Press Writer

Red Holzman, new coach of the New York Knicks, figures along with everyone else that Bill Bradley is the key to the club's future. Still, he'd like to see the team win a game or two without him.

It's either that or the Knick's current six-game losing streak will stretch into 10 because the former Princeton All-American, who was injured last week in an auto accident, has been placed on the injured list and must ride the bench for the next four games.

The bench is where Bradley and Holzman saw the team's most recent National Basketball Association debacle from, a 125-119 defeat by Cincinnati Tuesday night.

In other NBA action Tuesday, Chicago upset Boston 95-84, Detroit tripped Baltimore 114-113 and San Francisco outlasted Los Angeles 119-118.

In the American Basketball Association, Dallas took Minnesota 112-109, New Orleans edged New Jersey 97-96, Pittsburgh beat Kentucky 105-97, Denver topped Indiana 98-80 and Oakland whipped Anaheim 141-121.

Oscar Robertson, with 34 points, and Jerry Lucas, with 29, led the Royals to victory over the Knicks. Lucas was deadly from the floor, hitting on 13 of 16 attempts. Dick Barnett led the Knicks with 30 points.

Boston made its low-scoring game against Chicago a close one, coming within a point late in the action. But Flynn Robinson scored six points in the last two minutes to pull it out for the Bulls. Bob Boozer led Chicago with 21 points and Robison had 20. Sam Jones had 19 for the Celtics.

Eddie Miles missed two free throw attempts with nine seconds left but sank a third one that gave the Pistons their victory margin. Dave Bing scored 31 points for Detroit, while Gus Johnson had 33 for Bullets.

At Atlies took a pass from Jeff Mullins and drove in for a lay-up with 10 seconds to play, giving San Francisco its victory over Los Angeles. The Warriors moved to within one game of first-place St. Louis in the Western Division race.

The Lakers jumped to a 38-20 first-period lead before San Francisco began to elik. The victory was the Warriors' 18th in 21 games at home.

as the new Garden opener and the 160-pound title fight at a later date.

However, the twinbill would enable the new building to begin its boxing program with a flourish. Pro hockey and basketball games are expected to be played in the Center for the first time in mid-February.

The two-15 round fights will be telecast nationally, most likely by closed circuit to arenas and theaters.

Frazier, of Philadelphia, is ranked first by Ring Magazine and seventh by the World Boxing Association. He has a 19-0 record, including 17 knockouts. Mathis, unranked, has a 23-0 record, also with 17 knockouts. Each is 23 years old.

Griffith, of New York, and Benvenuti, of Italy, will meet for the third time. Griffith lost the title to the slick Italian on a 15-round decision last April 17, but regained it Sept. 29, also via decision.

Hope Girls Still Have Win Trend

By RALPH ROUNTON

Star Sports Writer

Showing their superiority after a two-week layoff, the Hope Lady Cats never had any problems in disposing of Emmet 46-20 in the second game last night at Jones Field House. However, the Kitty Cats weren't as lucky, falling 27-14 to a fine Emmet team.

For the Lady Cats it was their 11th win in 15 starts, also the eighth in the last nine games. But the almost worrisome factor was that the Ladies hit a fantastic 41 per cent from the field. They have done much better, but not under those circumstances.

The Lady Cats led all the way after the opening minutes, during which Emmet once held a 4-2 lead. No problems ever resulted though, and Lady Cat Coach Charlotte Gibson was able to begin pulling her starters still in the first quarter. Surprisingly, big scorer Carol Anthony was pulled so early that she only had three points for the night's work.

Emmet was never able to pull back after Hope led 20-6 at the quarter, as all of the Lady Cat guards throttled the opponent at will. Gail Hartsfield led the Hope scoring with her 15, but Kathryn Coleman, who looked at her best, got all of her 14 points during those first two quarters. Jo McKamie had 6, Retha Adams 4, Carol Anthony 3, and Sandra May and Mary Beth Millican 2 each to wound out the happy totals. Dianna Warren and Barbara Patton both sacked 10 for Emmet.

With a visible advantage in height and experience, the Emmet Jr. Girls pulled out at the end to defeat the Hope Kitty Cats 27-14 in the evening's first contest. The three-week layoff for Hope made the difference, and the Emmet girls won mainly because of more games played.

Somehow, Don Mitchell came up with a way for his girls to stop Hope's punch, Dee Singleton. He stationed all three guards in the foul lane, and also had the rebound position that always makes a big difference.

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Australian Tennis Player Turns Pro

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — John Newcombe of Australia, who became the world's top ranked tennis player as an amateur, has signed a professional contract which the promoter estimates might bring him \$200,000 this year.

David F. Dixon of New Orleans, president of World Championship Tennis Inc., said Newcombe, 23, and his Davis Cup teammate Tony Roche, 22, fourth ranked in the world, will compete with six others for more than \$1 million in prize money.

The pro tour, opening in Kansas City Feb. 1, will last about 40 weeks, with 80 three-day tournaments.

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which were truly beautiful and great tests of the relative strengths of the teams involved, it was sickening to me that the greatest game of all couldn't have been played under the same circumstances. The resulting comparison was not in keeping with the NFL."

Art Modell, NFL president and owner of the Cleveland Browns said the field site "will be discussed in no uncertain terms at our February meeting. I personally believe it should be moved to a neutral warm weather spot. It was zero today in Cleveland. I wouldn't like to have the game at Cleveland at five degrees or five below."

Modell told Perkins he would propose a "two-year test" for the 1968 and 1969 title games at one of the four NFL warm-weather sites.

Rozelle said he had been "in favor of" the warm-weather concept "for several years" but that too many of the owners in the league were against it. Under present league rules, it would take 13 affirmative votes to change the home-and-home arrangement which alternates yearly between the Eastern and Western Conference winners.

Dallas Cowboy president Tex Schramm said, "When I saw the four bowl games yesterday,

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Vanderbilt Signs Arkansan

HELENA, Ark. (AP) — Vanderbilt University latched on to a second Arkansas high school football player Tuesday by signing John Berger of Helena, a six-foot, 185-pound defensive halfback.

It had signed Joe Wood of Marianna to an athletic scholarship earlier.

The Pipers Almost Caught Minnesota

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The Pittsburgh Pipers, who have been chasing the Minnesota Muskies for a long time, finally caught them. Almost.

Pittsburgh's 14th straight victory Tuesday night, a 105-97 beating of Kentucky carried the determined Pipers to a virtual tie for first place in the Eastern Division of the American Basketball Association, 10 percentage points behind Minnesota, which lost to Dallas 112-109.

In other ABA action, New Orleans edged New Jersey 97-96, Denver beat Indiana 98-80 and Anaheim turned back Oakland 141-121.

In the National Basketball League, Chicago beat Boston 95-84, Detroit nipped Baltimore 114-113, Cincinnati stopped New York 125-119 and San Francisco eked out a 119-118 verdict over Los Angeles.

Charlie Williams scored 28 points and Connie Hawkins added 22 for Pittsburgh, which won on a second-half surge. Lou Dampier had 26 and Darel Carrier threw in 22 for the Colonels.

Dallas also won on a second-half rally, fighting back from an 11-point deficit. John Beasley of the Chaparrals and Les Hunter of the Muskies each had 22 points.

Jesse Branson's two field goals with four seconds left provided New Orleans' margin over New Jersey. Barry Lelbowitz had put the Americans ahead with a jumper nine seconds earlier. Doug Moe had 30 for the Bucs while Bruce Spragins had 29 for New Jersey.

Larry Jones scored 35 points, hitting on 14 of 22 shots from the floor, for the Rockets' victory. Fred Lewis had 18 for the Pacers. A 12-point edge in the fourth period led the victory.

Oakland, snapped a four-game losing streak at the expense of Anaheim and prevented the Amigos from moving out of the Western Division cellar. The Oaks led at halftime 64-52 and coasted the rest of the way.

Gary Bradts set the Oakland scoring pace with 29 points and Levern Tart, the league's leading scorer, and Jim Hadnot contributed 24 each.

Captain Ben Warley of Anaheim collected 21 points before being forced to retire with an ankle injury late in the second quarter. Steve Chubin was high for the Amigos with 29.

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NANCY SEAYER waves goodbye to her husband, Tom, as he heads for class at the University of Southern California after being named National League "Rookie of the Year." The New York Mets pitcher is studying public relations during the off-season.

SOLUNAR TABLES

By RICHARD ALDEN KNIGHT

The schedule of Solunar Periods, as printed below, has been taken from Richard Alden Knight's SOLUNAR TABLES. Plan your days so that you will be fishing in good territory or hunting in good cover during these times. If you wish to find the best sport that each day has to offer.

The Major Periods are shown in boldface type. These begin at the times shown and last for an hour and a half or two hours thereafter. The Minor Periods, shown in regular type, are of somewhat shorter duration.

Use Central Standard Time.

Date	Day	A.M. Minor	MAJOR	P.M. Minor	MAJOR
Jan. 1968					
3	Wednesday	10:10	1:50	8:35	2:15
4	Thursday	10:40	2:35	9:45	2:55
5	Friday	11:05	3:15	10:50	3:35
6	Saturday	11:25	3:50	11:50	4:10
7	Sunday	11:50	4:25	—	4:45

Caught in Middle, GIs Fight Out

By RICHARD MERRON

Associated Press Photographer LANDING ZONE BURT, Vietnam (AP) — Sgt. Mark Ridey and his 12 men were caught in the middle, 450 yards from their lines, when 2,500 enemy soldiers hurled themselves at this American infantry post in the bloodiest Communist violation of the New Year's truce.

"The Lord was with us, I can think of no other reason that we came through," said Ridey, a soft-spoken Texan from San Antonio. Six of his men were wounded, but none was killed. Ridey led his 12-man patrol out of the landing zone perimeter near the Cambodian border at 8 p.m. Monday night, 10 hours before the allied ceasefire expired and five hours before the end of the Viet Cong truce period, to set up an ambush against any enemy offensive that might develop.

Three hours later, four battalions of North Vietnamese regulars and Viet Cong guerrillas began repeated attacks against this field position of the U.S. 25th Infantry Division's 3rd Brigade some 60 miles northwest of Saigon.

The first charge came two hours before the Viet Cong's truce ended at 1 a.m. Tuesday, and the enemy assaults continued until after dawn.

The U.S. commanders said 374 of the enemy were killed and five captured, while American casualties were 23 killed and 153 wounded.

"We got set up in our ambush position about 450 meters east of the perimeter and then I heard their rounds hitting the brigade," Ridey said.

The enemy followed the mortar barrage with a ground attack, right past Ridey.

"We saw three NVA (North Vietnamese soldiers) coming from the direction of the perimeter and I gave the order to open up. We got them," the sergeant continued.

"Then I saw another two heading toward the perimeter. I threw a grenade and blew them apart. Another one came, and we shot him, but before he died he crawled over to his RPG (rocket launcher) and shot off a round toward the perimeter."

An NVA came trotting by and one of my men opened up with his M16 on full automatic and split him."

It wasn't all one way, though. "Several rifle grenades came in on us and wounded half my men," Ridey said.

As the enemy regrouped for another attack, Ridey said he "could hear a hell of a lot of movement. I estimated from 250 to 350 NVA in my general area."

He radioed this information back to the command post and the brigade commander, Col. Leonard Daems of Bozeman, Mont., told him to call in strikes from circling U.S. warplanes.

The sergeant called the strikes in close.

"One NVA kept firing at our helicopters," Ridey said. "I thought he was about 25 meters away but when I called strikes on him, and he moved, he turned out to be only 10 meters away."

Ridey and the patrol remained clinging to the earth, calling in air and artillery strikes until 9 a.m. Tuesday, when the enemy broke contact.

A company of infantrymen came out to escort Ridey and his battered patrol back to the perimeter.

"Man, was I happy to see them," the sergeant said. "I was frightened, but I tried not to show it to my men."

Col. Daems said he was going to recommend Ridey for a medal. "He did a fantastic job," Daems said.

Husband Shoots Nagging Wife

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — A Memphis man shot his wife Monday after she kept nagging him about his failure to make New Year's resolutions, police said.

Officers said Irene Betts suffered a shotgun wound to the foot after she continually warned Willie Betts, 32, that he should "turn over a new leaf" and do such things during the new year as keep the house stocked with firewood.

Nabs Fishing Burglar

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Police nabbed a fishing burglar suspect Tuesday. Police said he used a bamboo pole and a hook made from a windshield wiper to pull several thousand dollars worth of women's apparel through a hole in a store ceiling.

Final Count 376 Deaths

CHICAGO (AP) — Final tabulations showed 376 persons lost their lives during the three-day New Year holiday weekend. The count of fatalities started at 8 p.m. local time Friday and ended at midnight Monday. The National Safety Council had predicted from 460 to 540 persons would be killed.

Attorneys for Hawkins Ask Dismissal

MORRILTON, Ark. (AP) — Attorneys in a taxpayers suit against Conway County Sheriff Marlin Hawkins failed to prove he hadn't properly accounted for county funds, that he had conspired with anyone to defraud the county or that he had attempted in any way to conceal such a conspiracy, the sheriff's attorneys contended in a brief filed in Chancery Court here Tuesday.

The 20-page brief was accompanied by a motion asking Special Chancellor Bobby Steel of Nashville to dismiss the suit.

As a backdrop, former Lt. Gov. Nathan Gordon of Morrilton and former Assistant Atty. Gen. Jack L. Lessenberry of Little Rock submitted an alternate motion asking Steel to invoke the statute of limitations in the case. That would mean that no action could be brought against Hawkins for anything that happened prior to 1962.

A third motion seeks to cripple the case presented by attorneys Richard S. Arnold of Texarkana and Oscar Fendler of Blytheville, who relied heavily on State Police tickets and daily reports as evidence.

Gordon and Lessenberry asked Steel to bar the tickets and daily reports as evidence, pointing out that several state troopers testified during the first phase of the trial here last month that such records were sometimes inaccurate and unreliable. Gordon described them during the trial as "hearsay based on hearsay."

The suit, filed by 15 taxpayers in 1965, alleges that Hawkins converted "substantial sums" of Conway County money to his own use. It asks for an accounting of funds he handled during the years 1954-66.

Two of the plaintiffs have dropped out since the suit was filed. Those remaining presented their evidence during the first phase of the trial. Their attorneys now have until Jan. 10 to file answers to the Gordon-Lessenberry brief.

Sometime before Jan. 20, Steel will decide whether the plaintiffs have made their case. He will announce his decision in an interlocutory order, and, if he holds in their favor, the second phase of the trial will begin Feb. 19.

Gordon and Lessenberry, who contend that the suit is simply political harassment by Gov. Winthrop Rockefeller and the Republican Party, said in their brief that, "Surely an official is entitled to secure some protection against venal suits of his political protagonist."

The Negro Community

By Ester Hicks

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THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Nature has given us two ears, two eyes, and but one tongue, to the end that we should hear and see more than we speak. — Socrates said it.

TWENTY-FIFTH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Nancy Jo Scott Brown, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Scott, honored her parents with a party on their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary Monday evening December 25, 1967.

In the dining room, the table was covered with a white linen cloth, bordered with small silver bells. The center piece was a huge silver bell on which was inscribed "25th", and the names Eula and Fred were placed on either side of the bell. The house was decorated in the yuletide motif. Miss Minnie McKillion presided at the guest book, and Mrs. Martha Thomas served as co-hostess.

Twenty eight friends from Hope and Prescott, Ark., were present at the affair. Among the guests from other cities were: Mr. and Mrs. Buster Perry of Dardanelle, Ark., and Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Royal of Detroit, Michigan, and Mr. and Mrs. Larry Phillips of Kansas City, Mo. Refreshments were served buffet style. C. G. Carmichael, a close friend of the family gave expressions of congratulations and offered prayer. The couple was presented with a large number of cards and gifts.



WAR WEARY infantryman wraps up in a blanket during lull in Vietnam fighting near Du Bop.

Rationing of Gas Ordered in Cuba

By FENTON WHEELER

Associated Press Writer

HAVANA (AP) — Cuban motorists lined up today for coupons to buy 8 to 25 gallons of gasoline a month after Prime Minister Fidel Castro ordered rationing on the ninth anniversary of the victory of his revolution.

In a speech at the big anniversary celebration in Havana Tuesday, Castro said the restrictions are needed to conserve fuel supplies from the Soviet Union. He said his Communist government was forced to dip into the armed forces fuel reserves in 1967.

For the first time on such an occasion during his regime, Castro avoided the expense of parading tanks and rockets the Soviet Union has furnished him. About 50,000 Cubans marched through Havana's Revolutionary Plaza.

Within hours afterward, lines began forming for gasoline coupons being distributed at neighborhood offices of the Committee for the Defense of the Revolution. The amount of the ration depends on the size of the car, with Fords and Chevrolets in the 10-to 250-horsepower range allotted 20 gallons a month.

The total number of automobiles in Cuba was not made public, but Castro said in his speech it had been about 300,000 and was diminishing.

Havana Radio said government vehicles also would be subject to fuel controls. Government vehicles were put on the coupon purchase system last October, but this was described as a move to keep government employees from using them for private pursuits.

Castro said since his forces overthrew President Fulgencio Batista in 1959, petroleum consumption in Cuba had increased from 3 million to 4.8 million metric tons a year.

"The Soviet Union has carried out a tremendous effort to supply us with fuel," he said.

The mention of the Soviet Union was viewed as a reply to speculation outside Cuba that oil supplies had been affected by Castro's criticism of Soviet trade with Latin American governments whose overthrow he urges.

The prime minister boasted that his government is "at its highest point" but warned that 1968 will be "one of the hardest years of the revolution" and the public must make a major effort.

As the Cubans celebrated, five members of the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (SNCC) arrived from the United States for an international cultural congress which opens Thursday.

They were identified only as Robert Fletcher, Jennifer Lawson, Ralph Featherstone, Willie Ricks and Carver Nebel.

Also arriving on a flight from Mexico were folk singer Barbara Dane of New York, Peter Hening and Susan Suthelm of the North American Congress on Latin America and Students for a Democratic Society, and composer Wirving Silber, not further identified.

Would Change Tax Rates Every Year

WASHINGTON (AP) — Like the man he will succeed, the designated chairman of the President's Council of Economic Advisers believes tax rates should be changed every year.

When the economy drags, you can inject zip by reducing tax rates. If it booms too much you can bleed a little excess demand out of it by raising income and corporation taxes.

Annual adjustments up or down as needed, says the young, brilliant Dr. Arthur M. Okun, can strengthen or weaken the spending and lending power of people and businesses, and thus help keep prices and wages reasonably stable.

But by contrast with the day's fashion it's a lot easier to adjust the tax hemline down than up.

And that is where the New Economics—of which Okun and retiring Chairman Gardner Ackley are honored prophets and practitioners—has met a major dilemma.

Ackley, Okun and their third council colleague, James S. Duesenberry, sketched out their idea of yearly tax-tinkering in the council's annual report last January. Somebody referred to it as "fine-tuning" the economy, a phrase which Okun rejects.

In the vastly stimulative \$14 billion tax cut of 1964, as in the less drastic excise tax changes of 1965, "we didn't try to be precise, we just tried to stay in the ball park with the requirements of the economy," Okun told reporters Tuesday.

"But the proof of the pudding is in the eating; the tax changes worked as they were supposed to work."

Actually, the council has in mind frequent but much smaller changes than those mentioned. In their report a year ago, the members explained:

"Willingness to consider making such small adjustments frequently would contribute substantially to the effectiveness of stabilization policy and to efficient planning of government programs.

seems already established. In each of the past six years, Presidents Kennedy and Johnson have called for significant changes in tax laws.

"Annual tax changes have, in fact, become the rule rather than the exception."

But in 1967 Congress ran out of willingness. It has balked at giving Johnson a temporary 10 per cent surtax to counter inflation and has demanded, as the price of its enactment, deeper budget cuts than he was willing to make.

Okun talked about that problem a few hours after his appointment to the chairmanship was announced by Johnson. "It's really hard to convince the public and Congress that if you will accept a reduction in your paycheck, you nevertheless come out ahead of the game financially by thwarting inflation," he said.

"It's a much more painful action than cutting taxes. That's why we've had a hard time convincing Congress."

What does that mean for the future of a stabilization program based on tax rates that go up as well as down? Replied Okun:

"It means that the success we can have in long-range stabilization of the economy depends on our ability to educate the public and Congress that it has to work both ways."

Milliken Is Filling in for Romney

LANSING, Mich. (AP) — Shortly after Michigan Gov. George Romney left on his four-week world tour, Lt. Gov. William Milliken, filling in for Romney's absence, was asked how he liked the governor's office.

Milliken replied: "I think it's a nice place to visit, but I'm not sure yet whether I'd want to live here."

Asked how he liked it nearly four weeks later, on the eve of Romney's return, Milliken said: "Just 'It's fine, I like it, I'm going to come back from time to time.'"

If this fall and winter are any indication, Milliken will be back quite a bit.

Milliken has filled in for Romney numerous times since first being elected in 1964.

But his stints as acting governor have increased sharply since Romney launched his campaign for the Republican presidential nomination.

Romney has been away frequently in recent months, twice on long trips. Early last fall he made an extended tour of the

Dope Addicts Riot Quelled in California

NORCO, Calif. (AP) — Some 250 narcotics addicts interned at a state rehabilitation center seized control of the facility Tuesday, burning buildings and stoning guards until massed law enforcement officers quelled the riot.

Six officers were injured and five of the rioters wounded, one fatally. Damage was estimated at \$250,000 at the California Rehabilitation Center located 60 miles east of Los Angeles.

"I would say the residents definitely had control for a couple of hours," said Roland W. Wood, superintendent of the center. "This is the worst disturbance since the center started in 1961."

After 300 guards and law enforcement officers from surrounding communities rounded up the rioters, 51 inmates were shipped off to the maximum security California Reception and Guidance Center in Chino.

There are no cells on the 91 country acres occupied by the center. The addicts, who have been committed by civil court order for a minimum six-month stay, are called residents instead of prisoners.

Cause of the sudden riot was officially undetermined a day later. "I can't point to any one particular thing and say that caused it," one official said. "Whether it was prearranged we do not know."

Officials said they found no evidence that liquor, narcotics or race was involved. Guards confiscated several gallons of homemade liquor four weeks earlier and noted rambunctious celebrations on Christmas and New Year's Eve, but no liquor was found Tuesday.

Rioters, starting from one dormitory about 11:30 p.m. Sunday, streamed from their buildings and burned the fire department, a canteen, educational offices and a vocational training building.

One inmate, Leroy M. White, 20, died hours later of gunshot wounds.

Romney's Washington campaign headquarters says the governor is scheduled to fly to New Hampshire, site of the nation's first primary, on Jan. 11 after delivering his "state of the state" message.

Courts Still Filled With Riot Arrests

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The summer riots in Newark and Detroit took place nearly six months ago, but courts of both cities are still dealing with hundreds of the arrests which resulted from the outbreaks.

Clearing the dockets is likely to take at least until next summer.

In Detroit, where 4,200 persons were jailed, the trials of 1,200 accused of felonies will commence next spring.

In Newark, where 1,300 were taken into custody on riot-connected charges, 330 cases remain to be heard.

Detroit disposed of misdemeanor cases arising from the riots within two to three weeks after peace was restored. More than 1,000 defendants pleaded guilty to charges ranging from drunkenness to disorderly conduct. Most were sentenced to five to seven days in jail.

About half of an original 3,200 felony cases in Detroit were settled by the prosecution's acceptance of guilty pleas to lesser charges if the defendants had no prior criminal records.

Still in jail are 40 persons accused of serious crimes who were either denied bail or were unable to find sureties for their release.

Most of these were held in high bail because they already had charges pending against them for other crimes when they were arrested in the rioting and accused of such offenses as arson or attempted murder.

Jay Nolan, an assistant Wayne County prosecutor, expressed hope the courts would

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF ELECTION OF SUPERVISORS TO BE HELD FOR THE HEMPSTEAD COUNTY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

To all landowners within the boundaries of the Hempstead County Soil and Water Conservation District, notice is hereby given that on the Twenty-Third Day of January, 1968 (January 23, 1968) between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 8:30 p.m., an election will be held for the election of three supervisors of the Hempstead County Soil and Water Conservation District of the State of Arkansas. The voting place is as follows:

TOWN PLACE
Hope, Arkansas Courthouse

Only owners of land within the District are eligible to vote.

S. Keith Jackson, Executive Director of Arkansas Soil & Water Conservation Commission

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complete the outstanding trials within the next five or six months, commenting: "We had barely cleared out our cases on the 1966 disturbance on Detroit's East Side when our 1967 troubles struck." Grand juries in Newark returned felony indictments against 808 of the 1,300 arrested there. Most were charged with looting, one with murder. Investigations into 26 other homicides are still going on.

Faced with overcrowded jails and jammed court calendars, the Newark prosecutor's office downgraded to disorderly conduct the charges against about 300 persons indicted for more serious crimes.

Southwest Branch Experiment Station
Hope, Arkansas

TEMPERATURE - Jan. 1, 1967 thru Dec. 31, 1967

Month	AVERAGE		Monthly Ave.	Dept. From Normal	High-est	Low-est	NO. DAYS			
	Max.	Min.					Maximum 70° or Above	32° or below	32° or below	0° or below
January	55.4	30.1	42.8	-0.9	73	12	0	1	22	0
February	53.8	29.2	41.5	-5.1	74	16	0	1	21	0
March	72.7	44.6	58.7	5.5	86	24	0	0	7	0
April	76.4	55.1	66.0	3.2	85	44	0	0	0	0
May	79.9	54.8	67.4	-3.3	92	43	2	0	0	0
June	88.9	66.4	77.7	-1.1	96	54	16	0	0	0
July	97.4	66.5	77.0	-5.0	95	54	14	0	0	0
August	88.8	63.8	76.3	-5.7	96	50	15	0	0	0
September	81.6	58.0	69.8	-5.8	91	35	2	0	0	0
October	78.1	45.9	62.0	-2.9	90	30	1	0	2	0
November	64.3	36.2	50.2	-3.2	79	27	0	0	8	0
December	56.0	31.3	43.6	-1.6	78	16	0	0	19	0
Average	73.6	48.5	61.1	-2.00			50	2	79	0

Long term Average 63.1

PRECIPITATION - Jan. 1, 1967 Thru Dec. 31, 1967.

Month	Total	Departure from Normal	Greatest Day	No. Days			Snow Total
				.10" or more	.50" or More	1.0" or more	
January	1.61	-3.60	0.73	3	1	0	0
February	1.73	-2.73	0.68	5	1	0	0
March	3.75	-1.26	2.13	3	2	2	0
April	7.98	2.38	1.95	9	5	4	0
May	10.85	5.69	2.66	9	6	4	0
June	4.48	0.72	2.12	5	2	2	0
July	2.98	-1.11	1.05	5	2	1	0
August	2.41	-.85	1.00	3	1	2	0
September	3.28	0.35	0.95	9	3	0	0
October	3.52	0.35	1.10	5	4	2	0
November	2.35	-2.22	0.98	4	3	0	0
December	6.78	2.32	1.65	12	5	2	2-3/4"
Total	51.72	+0.04		72	34	19	2-3/4"

Longterm normal 51.68"

WISE PENNIES INVESTED IN WANT ADS GROW UP TO BE DOLLARS!

WANT AD RATES
All Want Ads are payable in advance but ad will be accepted over the telephone and accommo-
dation accounts allowed with the understanding the account is payable when statement is rendered.

Number	One	Four	Six	One
of Words	Day	Days	Days	Mo.
Up to 15	1.10	2.35	2.90	8.40
16 to 20	1.30	2.80	3.50	10.05
21 to 25	1.50	3.20	4.00	11.55
26 to 30	1.70	3.70	4.50	13.05
31 to 35	1.90	4.15	5.00	14.55
36 to 40	2.10	4.60	5.50	16.05
41 to 45	2.30	5.05	6.00	17.05
46 to 50	2.50	5.50	6.50	19.05

Initials of one or more letters, group of figures as house or telephone numbers count as one word.

CLASSIFIED DISPLAY

1 Time — \$1.25 per inch per day
4 Times — \$1.10 per inch per day
6 Times — \$.95 per inch per day

STANDING CARD ADS

20.00 per inch per month.

Rates quoted above are for consecutive insertions. Irregular or skip date ads will take the one-day rate.

All daily classified advertising copy will be accepted until 2 p.m. for publication the following day.

The publisher reserves the right to revise or edit all advertisements offered for publication and to reject any objectionable advertising submitted.

The Hope Star will not be responsible for errors in Want Ads unless errors are called to our attention after FIRST insertion of ad and then ONLY the One Incorrect Insertion.

Phone Prospect 7-3431.

1 Job Printing

PRINTING of Quality. Letterpress or Offset. Call Yukon 3-2534 collect. ETTER PRINTING COMPANY, Washington, Ark.

2. Notice

COMPLETE Quality Film Developing Service—Photo's and movie film BARRY'S QUICK SAK No. 1 and 2.

3. Lost

GOLD, PLATINUM, DIAMOND 32nd Masonic ring, area, Post Office. Reward. Dr. Emmett Thompson, 777-3443.

5. Funeral Directors

AMBULANCE SERVICE, Oxygen equipped, Two-way Radio, Burial association. HERNDON Funeral Home, Phone 7-4686.

15. Used Furniture

WALKER'S NEW & USED Furniture, PR7-6233, 213 S. Main. Give highest prices for your furniture. Will sell - trade - or buy.

21. Used Cars

WANTED—Late model used cars and pickup trucks. See James Gaines Used Cars, 203 West 3rd.

35. Truck Rentals

RENT - A - TRUCK save over 70 percent, refrigerator dollies, loading ramps, furniture pads etc, furnished free. Move anything, anywhere, anytime, no red tape, no dealy. Only license required is your driver's license. Free estimates and reservations. PR7-5733, PERRY'S TRUCK RENTAL, at Perry's Truck Stop, Hwy. 67 East of Hope.

48. Slaughtering

CUSTOM Slaughtering Beef or pork cut and wrapped for your deep freeze. Contact BARRY'S GROCERY, 7-4404.

RALPH MONTGOMERY Custom

Slaughtering. Meat for your deep freeze. We buy cattle and hogs.

59. Nurseries

ROSE BUSHES fruit and shade trees, shrubbery, pot plants and Pottery, E. H. Byers Nursery. Phone PR7-3543.

63. Sewing Machines

SINGER SEWING MACHINE Co. Sales & Service, call PR7-5313. New Singer Zig Zag portable sewing machine \$88.00, payments of \$5.00 month. The Fabric Center, 107 South Main, your authorized Singer Representative or the Singer Company, 221 East Broad St., Texarkana, Arkansas.

68. Services Offered

FURNANCES ACTING UP? Call our specialist for repair or replacement, A-1 Contractors, PR7-6614.

WATER WELL DRILLING and servicing - Free estimate. Call Hope Drilling and Water Well Service, PR7-2498.

COMPLETE PLAN SERVICE residential or commercial. No obligations. Choose your own builder. We solicit the contractors - plan business. Call Joe Porterfield PR7-5331.

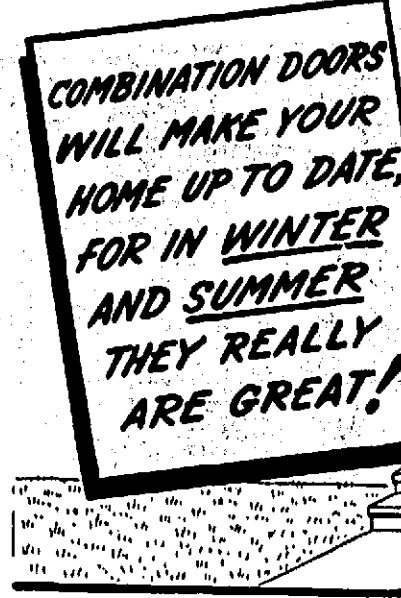
FOR CARPET and bradled rug cleaning, see Curtis Yates. For free estimates, call PR7-4670.

SHOE SHINES every Sunday morning before Sunday School and Church. Mont's Barber Shop, Hope Village Shopping Center. Time 7:00 to 9:30.

INCOME TAX - Fed. & State. \$5 up. H & R Block, America's Largest tax service. Old Harris & Harris, Medical Clinic behind Cox Drug Store. PR7-5416 9:30 a.m. - 9 p.m.

50. Building Supplies

COMBINATION DOORS WILL MAKE YOUR HOME UP TO DATE, FOR IN WINTER AND SUMMER THEY REALLY ARE GREAT!



Hope Builders Supply Co.
"EVERYTHING TO BUILD ANYTHING"
300 West 3rd St. Phone PR7-2381

70. Beauty Service

HOLIDAY SPECIAL on permanent hair at Earlene's Beauty Salon. Call PR7-6631 for appointment.

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FINEST WATCH & Jewelry repair. All work guaranteed. Party napkins for all occasions, personalized, printed Stewart's Jewelry Store, 208 South Main.

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NEW YEAR - New Career. Join Avon in the exciting business of selling cosmetics. Good income. No experience necessary. Write Avon P. O. Box 944, Texarkana, Texas 75501.

84. Wanted

WANTED CLEAN 100 Percent cotton rags. Will buy for 10c per lb. Come by the Hope Star office between the hours 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

94. Apartments Furnished

THREE ROOM FURNISHED APARTMENT for Rent. Call PR7-5653.

SMALL FURNISHED apartment

In private home. Write Box 144 Hope, Ark.

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PIANO IN STORAGE. Beautiful spinet-consolidated locally. Reported like new. Responsible party can take at big saving on low payment balance. Write Joplin Piano Co., Joplin, Missouri.

FOR SALE Underwood upright

typewriter. Also Underwood portable typewriter. See during afternoon hours only. No phone calls - Please, F. C. Crow, Attorney, 314 South Main Street, Hope, Arkansas.

KEEP CARPET cleaning problems small

— use Blue Lustre wall to wall. Rent electric shampooer \$1. Home Furniture Co.

95. Apartments Unfurnished

EXTRA NICE small house, well located. \$80 per month. Call Buck Williams PR7-5884 or PR7-2888.

FOR LEASE at Hillcrest and Imperial

1 and 2 bedroom apartments. Utilities paid. Some furnished. \$100.00 up. PR7-3363 or PR7-5744.

FOUR ROOM unfurnished apartment

Phone PR7-9954.

123 House Leveling

FREE ESTIMATE anywhere. Floor leveling, foundation repair, new sills, piers, bracing, underpinning. Brick, block, concrete, and carpentry. Call collect 772-7370 Texarkana, U.S.A. Golden Rule Const.

69. Child Care

FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD Day Care Center Pre-School Children 7:30-5:30 PR 7-6223

24. Used Trucks

1966 Ford Style-side Pickup. 6 cyl. Extra clean. \$1350.00.

1965 Chevrolet Fleetside Pickup. Radio & Heater. 6 cyl. \$995.00.

1964 Ford Styleside Pickup. Long wheel base. 8 cyl. Radio & Heater. \$1095.00.

1964 Ford Styleside Pickup. Custom Cab. Radio & Heater. 8 cyl. \$995.00.

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HOPE AUTO CO.

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By WAYNE G. BRANDSTADT, M.D.

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WORLD ALMANAC FACTS



Gregor Mendel (1822-1884), an Austrian Augustinian monk, discovered the first laws of heredity which were subsequently developed into a new science called genetics, says The World Almanac. Mendel made public his discoveries in 1865-66, but they had no effect on biological thinking until 1900, when three European botanists independently discovered what Mendel had published, unnoticed, 34 years earlier.

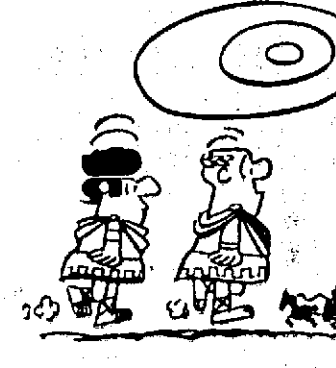
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SHORT RIBS

By Frank O'Neal



AS A MATTER OF FACT, MY WIFE AND I PRACTICE ALMOST EVERY NIGHT.



Autumn Pleasures

ACROSS

1—leaves

4—Picking strawberries

8—Go on a hay

12—Form of "to be"

13—Great Lake

14—Single points

15—Blueberry (pl.)

17—Card game

18—Pronoun

19—Self-protection

21—Work (music)

22—Disturber

24—Small hollow

25—Table morsels

26—Hind robber

28—Chores

33—Stanches

34—Confirm

35—Speech defect

36—Russian ruler

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By GILL FOX CARNIVAL

"It is NOT a skimpy dinner! It's something I thought up myself, called a mini-meal!"

By DICK TURNER FLASH GORDON

"You're a good young man, Pop. Wouldn't you say there was something wrong with our bargaining?"

By Dan Barry

"I AM SURE WE CAN CONTINUE TO LIVE TOGETHER IN PEACE AND PROSPERITY!"

THE BORN LOSER

By ART SANSON

"WELL, DID I EVER HAVE A TIME TRYING TO FIND A TUNIC TROUSER DRESS!"

"I SHOPPED ALL OVER TOWN! EVEN HACKLEHEADS COULDN'T HAVE ONE! THEN I WENT TO WINESOPS AND..."

"SAY, WHY ARE YOU ALL TIED UP?"

OUT OUR WAY

By NED COCHRAN

"IN FOR YOUR HULA HOOP! SO THAT'S WHY YOU LEFT THOSE EMPTY SHOE BOXES AT THE BACK DOOR--JUST SO YOU WOULDN'T HAVE TO TAKE OFF YOUR MUDDY GALOSHES! DIDN'T IT OCCUR TO YOU THAT YOU COULD HAVE ASKED ME TO GET IT FOR YOU?"

"YEAH, AND IT ALSO OCCURRED TO ME THAT I'D PROBABLY GET A LECTURE ON LAZINESS AS A BONUS."

QUICK QUIZ

BLONDIE

Q—What is the salary range among U.S. state governors?

A—The governors of Arkansas and North Dakota are the lowest paid in the nation at \$10,000 a year. The governor of New York is the highest paid at \$50,000.

Q—In American history, who were referred to as "Butternuts"?

A—Northerners who sympathized with the South during the Civil War. The term was suggested by the "butternut" color of the Confederate uniform.

By CHIC YOUNG

"OH, MY GOODNESS!"

"PLOP"

"DAGWOOD... DAGWOOD... I DIDN'T SAY I BOUGHT IT! I JUST SAID I ALMOST BOUGHT IT!"

"KEEP REPEATING THAT WORD 'ALMOST'!"

OUR BOARDING HOUSE

By MAJOR HOOPLE

"WHY DOESN'T THE CITY DO MORE TO ATTRACT TOURISTS, MAJOR? THEY SPEND A LOT AND DON'T REQUIRE EXPENSIVE PUBLIC SERVICES!"

"OUR COUNCILMEN ARE GOOD ENOUGH FELLOWS, DATA, BUT AN AFTER-NIGHT BE-FORE THEY COLLECTED A PENNY!"

"LIKE USING THE GARBAGE SCOW FOR OPENING HOURS SHOW-BOAT!"

"TOO BAD THE WIND SHIFTED AN AFTER-NIGHT BE-FORE THEY COLLECTED A PENNY!"

TIZZY

by Kate Osann

"I don't know how she gets away with being a dumb blonde—I saw her report card!"

ALLEY OOP

By V.T. HAMLIN

"AW, NOBODY'S GIVIN' ORDERS! IT'S JUST COMMON SENSE! WE WON'T GET ANYWHERE IF WE DON'T KEEP MOVIN'!"

"YEH... HE'S RIGHT!"

"C'MON, LET'S GET MOVIN'!"

"WHAT MAKES YOU THINK WE'LL FIND YOUTOPIA IN THAT DIRECTION?"

"HUNCH, I GUESS... YOU GOT A BETTER ONE?"

"I FAVOR TH' HILL COUNTRY MYSELF! ME, I PIGGER THIS WAY'S BETTER!"

"YOU CAN GO THAT WAY IF YOU WANT, ME, I PIGGER THIS WAY'S BETTER!"

CAPTAIN EASY

By LESLIE TURNER

"THE BARGE UP AHEAD! YOU MENTIONED... IS THAT WHERE YOUR GANG HIDES OUT?"

"WHEN YOU GET ME UNTIED, WELL TAKE A CLOSER LOOK!"

"THERE'S THE BARGE... HIDDEN FROM THE AIR PATROL! PROBABLY CAROO FROM THE FIRST TWO SABOTAGED PLANES!"

"IT'D BE SUICIDE TO TACKLE 'EM BACK IN THAT JUNGLE!"

"RIGHT! THERE'S A BETTER WAY TO TACKLE 'EM BACK IN THAT JUNGLE!"

BUGS BUNNY

By RALPH HEIMDAHL

"GWAGGIOUS! THERE'S NO PLACE TO HANG MY HAT AND COAT!"

"I GUESS I'LL HAVE TO EAT SOMEWHERE ELSE!"

"EH, HOLD IT, ELMER! I NEED YER BUSINESS!"

By RALPH HEIMDAHL

"HEY, SYLVESTER! COME HERE..."

"MAYBE? IS SOMEONE CALLING I?"

"TH' BEEF STEW'S ON SPECIAL T'DAY, DOC!"

PRICILLA'S POP

By AL VERMEER

"GOOD HEAVENS! NO WONDER THIS SOFA FELT LUMPY!"

"Now I know how folks felt when the stock market crashed!"

FRECKLES

By HENRY FORMHALLS

"EVERY TEEN-AGER SHOULD HAVE A SUIT OF ARMOR! IT ALLOWS YOU TO BE IN TWO PLACES AT THE SAME TIME!"

"I SURE FOOLED MY FATHER! HE THINKS I'M AT HOME IN MY ARMOR, STUDYING!"

By HENRY FORMHALLS

"HE DOESN'T KNOW I DUCKED OUT TO THIS PARTY!"

"FRECK... YOUR FATHER WANTS TO TALK TO YOU!"

"CREEPERS! WHAT'LL I SAY???"

"DENY EVERYTHING! TELL HIM YOU'RE NOT HERE!"

THE WILLETS

By WALT WETTERBERG

"IT'S MIGHTY NICE OF YOU TO SHOVEL MY WALKS, MANUEL—HERE'S A BRIGHT, NEW KENNEDY HALF-DOLLAR FOR YOU!"

"HUUH?"

"SHOULD I HAVE TOLD HER I WAS ONLY LOOKING FOR MY BICYCLE?"

EEK & MEEK

By HOMER SCHEIDER

"A CLEAN TOOTH..."

"IS A JOY..."

"FOREVER!"

By HOMER SCHEIDER

"LIFE IS SO SIMPLE FOR A DENTIST!"

WINTHROP

By DICK CAVALLI

"DO YOU KNOW WHAT KIND OF STEAK WAS SERVED AT KING ARTHUR'S ROUND TABLE?"

"ROUND STEAK!"



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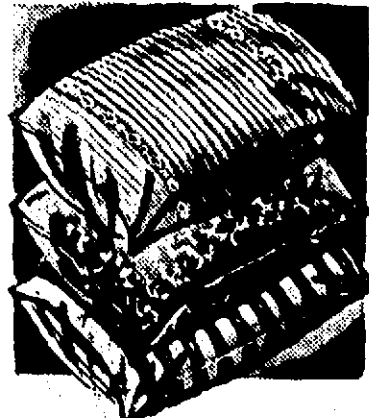
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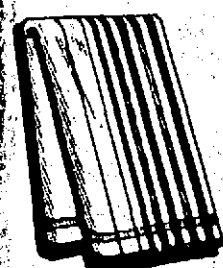
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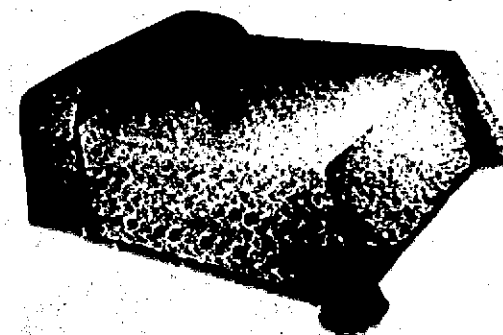
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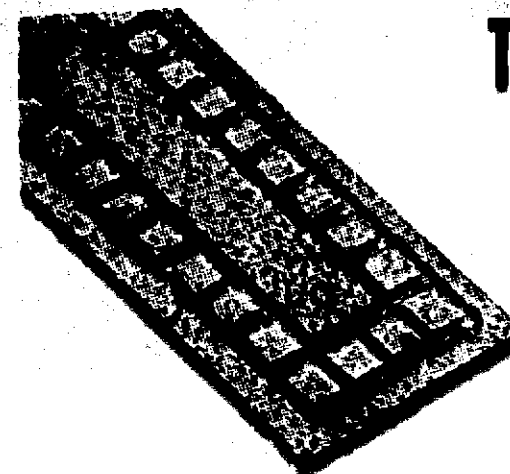
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Our Daily Bread

Sliced Thin by The Editor
Alex N. Washburn
Fine 'Good Morning'
A Letter About
Hope's Streets

It's been raining for a week and I thought by this time everyone was used to it - but this morning I found at least one citizen who's unreconciled. Rain beat on the car's windshield, and I slowed down to let a slow-walking, shaggy-coated, water-soaked dog cross the street. Unhurriedly he climbed the curb - and then, just as I drew even with him, he barked and snarled at me.

He simply forgot I only print the Weather - I don't make it.

Editor The Star: I have been coming to Hope for almost two years now and have seen things go from bad to worse as far as your streets are concerned.

When I first began to visit your city two years ago the streets were in poor condition, and since then have slowly become deplorable. My wife and I have even become hesitant to return for fear of the safety of our car as well as our lives. These cracked, uneven, and often mud-covered trails called streets are atrocious. They are both a hazard and a slur on the city of Hope.

I would like to know what seems to be the trouble? If the people of Hope are not farsighted enough to correct this problem they should at least have signs posted warning the unsuspecting motorist to be on guard for the sake of his life as well as his automobile.

I feel this problem is definitely in need of a solution and deserves the immediate attention of every citizen of Hope.

RONALD N. FULLER
Dec. 28, 1967
21 Westbrook Ave.
Hot Springs, Ark. 71901

Admittedly Hope's streets are bad and our visitor's criticism is deserved. Factually, however, the street situation is pretty bad in most Arkansas cities. I was in Eureka Springs last October, my car fell into a deep storm-sewer opening while being parked, and I had to replace a perfectly good tire. So at least Eureka Springs is one hazard worse off than Hope is.

The fact is Arkansas cities don't have enough tax revenue to maintain first-class streets. Hope suffers from the misunderstanding of its citizens that simply because it owns its water and light plant and always has money in the bank therefore it should have plenty of cash with which to build and maintain streets.

But if you were to try to improve the streets solely with funds taken from the water and light plant you would be stopped by an injunction. Water and light plant funds belong to all of the people - not merely those who own automobiles.

About all the money available for streets is the quarterly "turnback" from state gasoline taxation and net collections from the parking meters. It's a pretty small bag of peanuts.

The City of Hope has made two efforts to improve the streets. Your editor helped scuttle the first one because it called for \$250,000 in federal "aid" - a phony gesture which would have cost more in expense than we would have gained in revenue. The second attempt went to the voters with federal "aid" stricken from the bill. The Star supported the measure with everything it had, but the people rejected the bill by 8 to 5. Eventually, I think, the people will get tired of standing around waiting to get something for nothing, will buckle down to the street problem, and solve it. I think the eventual workout will be something like the bill we defeated - but perhaps twice as expensive, with twice the benefits.

Group Wants New Courthouse

MARION, Ark. (AP) - The Crittenton County Bar Association, citing a need for court space, is to recommend construction of a new court house to the County Court today. Bar Association spokesman Herman Spears of West Memphis said records so old they are in Spanish are deteriorating in the basement of the present courthouse.

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Economics Chief Plugs Tax Increase

WASHINGTON (AP) - Arthur M. Okun, the 39-year-old college professor who is President Johnson's choice for chairman of the Council of Economic Advisers, says a host of money problems await Americans if taxes aren't raised.

Okun told newsmen Tuesday the alternatives to Johnson's proposed 10 per cent income tax surcharge are higher interest rates, increased price-wage pressures, a tight money situation for those seeking loans and continued disruption of the balance of payments.

Johnson moved Monday to limit the balance of payments by announcing a five-point program to strengthen the dollar and the U.S. trade position. This drew mixed reaction from the U.S. business community and apparent resignation from businessmen in Western Europe.

The program imposes strict controls over private investments abroad, gives the Federal Reserve Board power to cut by \$500 million the total loaned by American banks to overseas borrowers, and requires government agencies to cut overseas spending by \$500 million this year.

Johnson also asked Americans not to travel outside this country for two years, estimating this would save another \$500 million.

He also urged a \$500 million to \$750 million increase in U.S. exports.

Okun said any travel restrictions imposed under Johnson's program probably would involve "negative incentives."

These could include a head tax on Americans touring in other countries and removal of the \$100 duty-free allowance on goods purchased abroad.

Okun, who will succeed Cardinal Ackley in the top economic post once Ackley is confirmed by the Senate as ambassador to Italy, said labor and management will have to cooperate fully if stable prices are to be maintained. But he said there's no plan to use wage-price controls.

Okun, a former member of the Yale University faculty, will be the youngest man ever to chair the Council of Economic Advisers. Like Ackley, he subscribes to the New Economics philosophy that the manipulation of tax rates, federal spending and other money policy can sustain economic growth. However, he avoided getting into any specifics of economic policy during his session with newsmen.

Anxious to Pay His Tax

PITTSBURGH (AP) - For the ninth time in 10 years, Frank Finley was first in line Tuesday to file his 1967 income tax form. He showed up 45 minutes before the Internal Revenue Service office opened.

9 Old Coins Bought for \$10 at Hoxie May Be Worth \$200,000

WALNUT RIDGE, Ark. (AP) - Nine old coins purchased by two Hoxie, Ark., brothers for \$10 may be worth more than \$200,000, Lawrence County Sheriff Kenneth Guthrie said Tuesday.

Guthrie, who declined to identify the brothers or the Hoxie man from whom they bought the coins, said their purchase may have been part of a valuable collection stolen two years ago from Yale University.

A collector here said one of the coins matched the description of a 1787 Brasher's doubloon, one of the rarest of U.S. coins.

That particular doubloon, one of which was stolen from the Yale library in a burglary May 9, 1965, was minted by a neighbor of George Washington, according to the coin collector, and could be worth \$100,000 or more. Only three of the 408 grain gold pieces were made, he said.

The collector identified the other coins as a 1783 Mark 1,000; a Nova Constellatio; a

Provisions of New Social Security Bill LBJ Signed Tuesday

WASHINGTON (AP) - Following are the major provisions of the new Social Security bill signed Tuesday by President Johnson:

Cash benefits - Present Social Security recipients will receive increases of at least 13 per cent in their February checks due on March 3. Minimum monthly payments will go up 25 per cent, from \$44 to \$55. The top of the range for individuals will be \$160.50, compared to \$142 now. The average monthly benefit for a man and wife now on the rolls will be increased from \$145 to \$165.

The maximum future payment for a surviving family will be raised to \$434.40, compared with \$368 under the old law.

Taxes - A worker now pays Social Security taxes on wages up to \$6,600 a year. This will be increased to \$7,800 in 1968.

The tax rate, now 4.4 per cent each for worker and employer, will remain there in 1968, go up to 4.8 per cent in 1969 and eventually reach 5.9 per cent in 1987.

The present maximum tax of \$290.40 a year will be \$343.20 this year, \$374.40 in 1969 and eventually \$616.20 in 1987.

For the self-employed, the tax rate, now 6.4 per cent, will go up to 6.9 per cent in 1969 and eventually to 7.9 per cent in 1987.

Retirement earnings - Annual amounts which a retired person may earn without loss of benefits will be increased to \$1,680 from the present \$1,500.

Medicare: Each beneficiary

Mills Thinks Program May Improve Dollar

SEARCY, Ark. (AP) - President Johnson's five-point program to strengthen the dollar could improve the U.S. trade position by about \$4.5 billion a year, U.S. Rep. Wilbur Mills, D-Ark., said Tuesday.

"My support of it is predicated on a feeling I have that something has to be done and something rather drastic has to be done," Mills said. "We can't go on and on with this imbalance of payments and have it deteriorate as it has been doing."

Mills said his support of the President's proposals didn't extend to the 10 per cent income tax surcharge he has requested.

"There is not enough relationship between the two, except maybe psychologically," he said.

Mills has insisted on a reduction in government spending as a concession to considering the surcharge, which is bottled up in the House Ways and Means Committee, of which he is chairman.

The committee is scheduled to hear administration proposals for reduced spending when it meets later this month.

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will have a lifetime reserve of 60 extra days of hospital care beyond the 90 days now available for each spell of illness. He will have to pay \$20 of the cost each of the additional 60 days.

Payment of physicians' bills can be made on the basis of an itemized but unpaid bill. At present, it must be on the basis of a receipted bill.

Medicaid: Effective in 1970, the federal government will participate in medical programs only for families with incomes not exceeding 133 1/3 per cent of the amounts paid under the aid to families with dependent children program in a state.

Public Welfare: By July 1, states will be required to set up work incentive programs for families on the rolls of aid to families with dependent children. Effective July 1, the federal government will refuse to provide funds for a greater percentage of needy children in a state than existed on Jan. 1 of this year.

Transplant Patient Doing Well

By DAVID J. PAINE

Associated Press Writer
CAPE TOWN, South Africa (AP) - Dr. Philip Blalberg, the world's third heart transplant patient, was "doing very well" today, a hospital spokesman said.

The 58-year-old retired dentist regained consciousness Tuesday night and in his first words since the operation said: "I am thirsty. Please give me regards to my wife."

The heart beating inside the white dentist's chest belonged to Clive Haupt, 24, a mulatto, but there was no objection from the chief defender of apartheid - South Africa's policy of racial segregation. Said Prime Minister Balthazar J. Vorster: "I am very glad to hear that the operation was successful."

Dr. Christian Barnard, who again headed the surgical team, reported that the operation Tuesday went as well as the epochal first transplant on Louis Washkansky and "perhaps a little better in that in this case we didn't have to shock the heart (electrically); it started by itself."

"In addition," he added, "the first time we stopped the heart-lung machine the circulation took over. We didn't have to restart the heart-lung machine as we had to last time."

Barnard was cheered by a crowd of spectators and journalists when he came out of Groote Schuur Hospital, after the five-hour operation, and a number of persons shook his hand.

The young mulatto whose heart was used died of a brain hemorrhage after a stroke while playing rugby on nearby Fish Hoek Beach with his wife and friends.

Reports WR Favored for Second Term

LITTLE ROCK (AP) - "Most Arkansas Democrats and Republicans alike are ready and willing" to give Gov. Winthrop Rockefeller another term, according to the "Governors News Log," a publication distributed by the Republican Governors Association.

An article on gubernatorial elections scheduled in November says Rockefeller has made a "resounding impact" on Arkansas and is heavily favored for reelection, probably in a race against former Gov. Orval Faubus.

"The continuing disclosures of scandal in the previous Orval Faubus administrations should make an easy reelection for Rockefeller," the article said, claiming the governor "has quickly put into force his election promises of reform in the areas of insurance regulation, law enforcement, government reorganization and prison reform."

Subzero Stretches Over U.S.

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
Subzero cold stung a vast stretch of the country from the Rockies to New England today while snow, sleet or freezing rain hobbled motorists from Texas to New York.

The mercury tumbled to 29 below zero at Hibbing, Minn., as the latest in a series of Arctic invasions that began before Christmas settled deep in the midcontinent. Denver registered 4 below before dawn and it was 7 above zero at Kansas City.

The Weather Bureau had indicated Tuesday night that readings of zero or below could be expected in parts of 23 states.

Sleet or freezing rain brought travelers warnings for portions of eight states from Oklahoma and Northern Texas across Arkansas, Tennessee and Kentucky to Maryland and the Virginias.

The storm of ice which hit much of the region Tuesday and continued today closed numerous schools in Arkansas, Kentucky and Tennessee. Scores of traffic accidents were reported, and there were many reports of motorists being stranded on Tennessee's hilly roads.

Light to moderate snow blanketed the region north of the icy-pavement belt and extended northeastward into Pennsylvania and New York.

Rain soaked much of the South from central Texas to Georgia.

In contrast to the bitter cold numbing the plains and Midwest, unseasonably mild, clear weather warmed Florida. Temperatures climbed into the 70s and 80s Tuesday, and Fort Lauderdale registered an early morning low of 72 degrees.

Letters in Murder Case All a Hoax

HAMBURG, Ark. (AP) - The man who reportedly wrote two letters concerning new evidence in the murder of Tommy Rodgers of Hamburg was in the Alabama Penitentiary at the time of the killing, Ashley County Sheriff B. A. Courson said Tuesday.

Courson said J. Doyle Higgins, who apparently had written the letters saying that two men convicted in the slaying were innocent, was in Kilby Prison from April 25, 1962, to Nov. 19, 1963.

Rodgers, 20, was stabbed to death March 1, 1963.

Higgins now is serving out a burglary sentence at Cummins Prison Farm.

Courson said his letters apparently were a hoax.

M. C. Talley of Monroe, La., and Curtis Smith of Brevard, N.C., are serving life sentences at Cummins for the slaying. Talley pleaded guilty.

Walther Asks Court to Seat Him

LITTLE ROCK (AP) - The Arkansas Supreme Court heard oral arguments Tuesday from former state Rep. Glenn F. Walther of Little Rock, who contends he should have the state Public Service Commission seat held by Robert C. Downie of Little Rock.

Gov. Winthrop Rockefeller appointed Downie after the state Senate appointed Walther during the 1967 legislative session. The Senate contended that Rockefeller missed the deadline for filling the position, thus permitting it to act.

Pulaski Chancellor Murray O. Read barred Walther from the seat and ruled that Downie was entitled to it.

12 Workers Saved by Wire

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. (AP) - Wire mesh saved 12 workers from possible injury when the roof of a building under construction at the University of North Carolina collapsed Tuesday and fell 24 feet to the ground.

Work Soon on I-30 From 4 Crossing 29 at Cost of \$741,229

Construction of Interstate 30 on the north edge of Hope from State Highway 4, eastward crossing State Highway 29, a distance of 1.3 miles is expected to start soon.

The contractor for this job is Cleal T. Watts and F. F. Construction Co., Inc., a highway and heavy construction firm of Texarkana, member of the Arkansas Chapter of Associated General Contractors of America, Inc.

The Texarkana firm was awarded the job on a low bid of \$741,229.99 at the September meeting of the Arkansas Highway Commission. The contract calls for completion in 250 working days.

A spokesman for the contracting firm said local labor and materials will be used as much as possible.

The contract covers all work necessary to install new drainage, bridges, curbs and gutters, base work and asphaltic concrete paving.

The contractor realizes that the work will cause many inconveniences to residents and motorists in this area but it will only be temporary. Motorists are urged to travel with extreme caution to obey all safety signs and flagmen.

Refuses to Report on Police Alert

LITTLE ROCK (AP) - Gov. Winthrop Rockefeller refused to give a "yes" or "no" answer Tuesday when asked if he had placed the State Police and National Guard on alert when Thomas O. Murton took over as acting state prison superintendent at Cummins Prison Farm Monday.

The governor would say only that it had been his policy to relay problems concerning public safety to both the adjutant general of the Arkansas National Guard and the State Police director.

No incidents were reported at the prison.

Construction Permit Granted

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Radio Hot Springs Co., Inc., of Hot Springs, Ark., which will operate radio station KGUS-FM, has been granted a construction permit, the Federal Communications Commission announced Tuesday.

No Provision Made by Law

LITTLE ROCK (AP) - Arkansas law makes no provision for appointment of a board to control a hospital owned jointly by a city and a county, Clarksburg Mayor Charles R. Callahan was informed in attorney general's opinion issued Tuesday. The city and Johnson County are joint owners of a hospital in Clarksburg.

All Around Town

By The Star Staff

The first baby of 1968 was born to Mr. and Mrs. Barlo today at a few good clear, sunshine Hill, Jr. of McCaskill at 12:47 a.m. January 3 at the Hempstead County Memorial Hospital. The baby girl weighed 7 pounds, 1 ounce.

Mrs. Lillian Bryant will undergo surgery at St. Michael's Hospital in Texarkana tomorrow (Thursday). She is in Room 218.

C. L. Cross, administrator of couple of charts showing the rain-Hempstead County Memorial fall and temperatures for each Hospital, announced today that month during 1967. These effective February 1, 1968, are charts are prepared periodically increase in routine daily service charge from \$22 to \$26. The present service charge rate ranges from \$18 to \$24 daily. This increase is due to Arkansas' State Retirement program and an increase in the salary scale due to the minimum wage act.

An influenza-like virus is taking a toll in Hope and area and it seems to be hitting just about everyone. The virus apparently runs its course in only a few days.

The potluck supper at First Presbyterian Church scheduled for tonight has been cancelled due to the weather.

AP News Digest

VIETNAM

North Vietnam and the United States apparently have narrowed their differences somewhat over starting peace talks. But Washington officials say there is little prospect the talks would be productive.

Hit-and-run raiders surrounded the Da Nang Air Base with harassing attacks and destroyed three planes and damaged 23 with rocket fire.

"The Lord was with us," says Sgt. Mark Riden after his patrol is caught in the middle of a Viet Cong attack just before the New Year truce ended.

INTERNATIONAL

Dr. Philip Blalberg, the third heart transplant patient, is reported in very good condition.

Cubans line up for 8 to 25 gallons of gas a month as Fidel Castro orders rationing on the ninth anniversary of his victory.

WASHINGTON

President Johnson signs the Social Security bill, praises Congress, and names a commission to work on the nation's "outmoded welfare system."

Arthur Okun, new chairman of President Johnson's council of economic advisers, says many money problems face Americans if taxes aren't raised.

NATIONAL

Courts are still dealing with hundreds of cases resulting from arrests in the Detroit and Newark riots last summer.

Inmates of California's riot-torn center for drug addicts "definitely had control for a couple of hours," Supt. Roland Wood says.

The 236 residents of Dunreth, Ind., will return to their homes when toxic chemicals are removed from a battered tank car.

Kelly Bryant Rejects Bids for Printing

LITTLE ROCK (AP) - Secretary of State Kelly Bryant has set Jan. 30 as the deadline for submitting new bids on both the legislative printing and stationery contracts, said he didn't know why Bryant had rejected the bids.

He said he wanted an explanation, because the bids on the legislative contracts weren't involved in a suit that has tied up the other contracts in litigation before the state Supreme Court.

House Speaker Sterling R. Cockrill Jr. of Little Rock, chairman of a committee on legislative printing and stationery contracts, said he didn't know why Bryant had rejected the bids.

Simultaneously with the attack on the air base, Communist units hit two district towns, three outposts and a guarded bridge - all within 15 miles of Da Nang. South Vietnamese spokesman said the purpose of the attacks was "to create as much havoc as possible," but that casualties were light in the six spots.

It was the sixth rocket attack on the big base, and lessons learned from earlier assaults minimized the damage. A twin-engine AC47 mounted with quick-firing miniguns was circling on patrol when the firing started and pounced on the Red gunners within minutes.

The Communists fired 42 of the big Russian 122mm projectiles which in an attack July 15 on the Da Nang base killed eight U.S. Marines, wounded 178 servicemen and wrecked 42 aircraft.

On page 5 of today's Star is a Tuberculosis Association report seven persons died from TB during October, fortunately none in this county. This brings the total number of TB deaths last year to 65. So apparently TB is still a killer.

There seems to be no letup in sight for this miserable weather. The forecast for this area is occasional periods of light sleet and freezing rain in this area.

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Attacks Launched by Enemy

By GEORGE MCARTHUR

Associated Press Writer
SAIGON (AP) - Heavy Communist forces launched a series of coordinated attacks in the precarious northern provinces of South Vietnam today, including a rocket assault on the Da Nang air base that destroyed three planes and ground attacks in which at least 19 Americans were reported killed.

As the ground was flamed up after a New Year's truce which U.S. officers termed "the worst yet," Air Force pilots reported shooting two MiGs from the skies above Hanoi. North Vietnam claimed three U.S. jets were downed.

Heavy fighting dotted South Vietnam, but it was in the five northern provinces of the last Corps Area that the action was hottest.

These actions were reported: 1. Red gunners fired a number of 122mm rockets into a unit of the U.S. 1st Air Cavalry Division bivouacked in the Que Non Valley 25 miles south of Da Nang, then followed with a ground attack. Initial reports said 11 cavalymen were killed, 70 were wounded and the fight was continuing. There was no report of enemy casualties.

2. Earlier, before dawn, the enemy raked the flight lines at the big Da Nang base with 45 of the big 122mm rockets, destroyed a \$2-million Phantom jet and two light spotter planes, badly damaged two other spotter planes and a twin-engine C47 and did minor damage to 20 other aircraft. Four Americans were wounded in the 10-minute barrage and 10 others were injured as the sleepy airman tumbled into the darkness and dashed for bunkers.

3. Six coordinated hit-and-run assaults raked South Vietnamese outposts within a 15-mile radius of Da Nang. Casualties among the defenders were reported light.

4. A combined U.S. Marine-South Vietnamese civic action platoon near Hot An was overrun and all but wiped out. Seven of the Marines attached to the platoon were killed along with their Navy hospital corpsman and four more Marines were wounded. From 10 to 20 of the South Vietnamese militiamen unit were killed.

5. Three other Marine-South Vietnamese combined action platoons came under attack, including one less than five miles from Hue, the old imperial capital. Government casualties in the attack near Hue were reported moderate, meaning the government troops were hit hard. It was believed there were some Marine casualties also, but initial reports were sketchy.

Simultaneously with the attack on the air base, Communist units hit two district towns, three outposts and a guarded bridge - all within 15 miles of Da Nang. South Vietnamese spokesman said the purpose of the attacks was "to create as much havoc as possible," but that casualties were light in the six spots.

It was the sixth rocket attack on the big base, and lessons learned from earlier assaults minimized the damage. A twin-engine AC47 mounted with quick-firing miniguns was circling on patrol when the firing started and pounced on the Red gunners within minutes.

The Communists fired 42 of the big Russian 122mm projectiles which in an attack July 15 on the Da Nang base killed eight U.S. Marines, wounded 178 servicemen and wrecked 42 aircraft.

Teller's Note Worked

BOSTON (AP) - The man walked into the South End branch of the Charlestown Savings Bank Tuesday and handed teller Lawrence Goldman a note demanding all his money.

Goldman, after conferring briefly with another teller, wrote a note in reply and handed it to the man.

"You're in the wrong bank," the note said, "You'll have to go somewhere else."

The man left the bank